interstate commerce commission, based upon a finding that the issues are for purposes authorized by law and for a price not less than par for stock and not less than the reasonable market value for bonds. The railroads claim that this restriction will seriously interfers with their bor-

railroads claim that this restriction will seriously interfere with their borrowing ability. The amendments are designed to prevent over-issues of stocks and bonds and the custom known as "watering." If adopted, it is said, the amendment also would put an end to what is known as "speculative construction."

The railroad men objected further to the proposed amendment giving to shippers the right to select a through route for their goods, and to giving the

route for their goods, and to giving the interstate commerce commission the right to initiate complaints and hold up new ratings and classifications by a railroad until sufficient cause shall have been shown for the new rates.

Federal Incorporation Law.

It was said today that no bill has been prepared by the administration to carry out the president's ideas as to a federal incorporation law. He will leave the working out of this measure to congress. But he will recommend that the law be a voluntary one.

tary one.

The terms upon which charters are to be allowed and licenses granted will have to be included in the law; but it is believed that no law can em-

power the executive branch of the government to revoke either a charter or a license and that such revocation

can come through the courts for cause,

Prosecution of Night Riders in Kentucky and Tennessee.

will soon receive attention.

The Burley society is a strong organization composed largely of farmers and it is believed that when taken

the government's action will create a

Will Himself Be Responsible for Lav and Order.

Boston, Jan. 3.—Twenty-nine Mas-sachusetts mayors announced their

and will not under any circumstances interfere. Our organization has never at any time allowed its members to

at any time allowed its members to be used as strikebreakers, but, on the contrary, in a few isolated cases where individual members of our organiza-tion have accepted unfair employment where independent organizations have had strikes, they have been fined and ordered from the factory."

Restraining Action Against Telephone

Company Dismissed.

Racine, Wis., Jan. 3.—Because the Wisconsin Telephone company could not purchase all the stock of the Citizen's Telephone company of this city, the action brought against the for-

mer company to restrain it from do-ing so, was, upon agreement, dis-missed today in the circuit court. The stock, which had been purchased by the Wisconsin "elephone company,

Demand for \$5.50 a Day.

New York, Jan. 3.—Three thousand steamfitters and helpers went on strike today in Brooklyn and Manhattan for an increase of wages from \$5 to \$5.50 a day. The strike will stop work on a number of buildings now nearing com-

The men are organized as the Steam-fitters' union, and under the arbitra-tion agreement of the Building Trades Employers' association, the strike is said to be a violation of the contract.

HIS OWN CHIEF OF POLICE

MAYOR HOWARD OF SALEM

BURLEY TOBACCO SOCIETY

BIG STICK NOW AFTER

NORWICH, CONN., TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1910

## PRESIDENT CHANGES PROGRAMME

In Sending to Congress His Message on Interstate Commerce and Anti-Trust Amendments

#### MESSAGE COMING IN TWO PARTS

That Dealing with Trusts will be Sent I hursday-The Section Dealing with Interstate Commerce Law will Follow Friday Noon-Conference with Railroad Presidents-Fresident Taft Makes Known His Position

Washington, Jan. 3.—After a forenoon conference with the presidents of
elx of the great railroad presidents of
the country, President Taft announced
late today a change of programme in
the sending to congress of his message
dealing with interstate commerce and
enti-trust law amendments.

tions upon the issuance of stocks,
bonds and short term notes. President Taft will recommend that no
such securities shall be issued in the
interstate commerce commission,
based upon a finding that the issues
are for purposes authorized by law

Message in Two Sections. Message in Two Sections.

The message will be split into two parts. The section dealing with the trusts will be sent to congress at noon liburaday. The section dealing with the interstate commerce law, in which the rallheads are directly interested, will be deferred until Friday noon. The president's special message on the conservation of natural resources is expected to be ready for congress next Monday.

Monday.

Shortly after the railroad presidents left the White House it was announced that the president still hoped to have his message ready for congress on Wednesday. It had been his original intention to treat together the two subjects of interstate commerce and antitrust amendments. But it was expalinted but today that the message would ed late today that the message would probably receive greater attention if divided into two parts, neither more than 4,000 words long.

Few Verbal Changes Made. As a result of the call of the railroad presidents, it was said that only a few verbal changes would be made in the draft of the message dealing with the inaerstate commerce law, and that these would be such only as to clarify the meaning of the recommendations. Railroad Men Deprecate Any Legislation Now.

tion Now.

President Taft found the railroad men most considerate in presenting their views. While they deprecated any legislation at all now, when, they declared, conditions in the railroad and industrial worlds are righting themselves after two years of more or less depression, they did not seek to deter the president from sending in his tuesage. They devoted themselves to more or less specific objections to the hill prepared by Attorney General Wickersham, which forms the text for the message. The president, it is declared, will not attempt to force the Wickersham or any other bill upon congress. He will say in his message that such a bill has been drafted and is at the disposal of the appropriate committees of the senate and house. The railroad presidents admitted that their objections to the proposed amendments to the interstate commerce act were applied, generally speaking, to all of the amendments.

President's Position Made Clear.

President's Position Made Clear. The president, however, had made his position clear to J. Pierpont Mor-gan in a brief interview before breakfast last Friday morning. Mr. Morgan afterwards arranged for today's con-ference, and advised the railroad men to confine themselves to suggestions of changes in the amendments rather than to attempt to influence the president as to his general course. Mr. Taft has let it be known that he will not only recommend changes in the law, but that he expects congress to adopt the suggestions at this session, and thus carry out the promises of the republican party as written in the Chicason platform.

Railroad Men at the Conference. The railroad men who attended the conference today were: Presidents McCrea of the Pennsylvania, Lovett of the Union Pacific and other Harriman lines, Brown of the New York Central, Mellen of the New York, New Haven and Hartford, Baer of the Philadelphia and Reading, and Finley of the Southern. They brought Lewis Cass Ledpard of New York with them as general counsel. Attorney General Wickersham represented the legal department of the government.

One Change the President Agres to
Make.

One of the changes which President
Taft agreed to make in his recommentations has to do with the lanuage of the proposed amendment prohibiting a railroad company from acquiring etock in any competing railroad in the future, or from holding stock in a competing railroad after a given date.

It is claimed that the wording of this proposed amendment was such that it might be held to apply to lines like the New York Central and West Shore. The latter is and for many years has been a New York Central line, serving virtually as an overflow trackage system on the western shore of the Hudson river.

The Law as the President Will South of the conduct of business in their inaugural addresses today.

Mayor Arthur Howard of Salem furnished the sensation of the day by declaring that he would be responsible for law and order as his own chief of police, for a time at least. The city goes on a "dry" basis after May 1.

Tax dedgers and reckless automobile drivers must expect no favors at Worcester throughout the year, according to Mayor James Logan, while several other chief magistrates took the occasion to criticise public service corporations severely.

INTIMATION DENIED.

Boot and Shoe Workers' Union Will Not Furnish Strikebreakers.

gest it.

The law, as President Taft will suggest it, will provide that where a vailroad owns fifty per cent or more of the stock of another it may acquire the remainder. This, it is said, would afford a measure of protection to minority stockholders, for if the railroad owning the majority stock should be prohibited from acquiring any more, the minority would lose their only probable purchaser. But where a railroad holds less than the majority of stock in another line, it will be provided that it can acquire no more.

Nothing in the interstate commerce amendments will be so drawn as to legalize in any way holding a stock in

legalize in any way holding a stock in a competing line where holding such atock violates the anti-trust law. Listened to Railroad Men for Two

The railroad presidents were listened to attentively by the president for more than two hours. He had been informed in advance of many objections and had taken for granted other objections that they would make and he practically informed them that while their views would be given every consideration in the final wording of consideration in the final wording of the message, he could not alter his basic recommendations.

Strong Objections from the Visitors The proposed interstate commerce court of five members to consider appeals from the interstate commerce commission with an appeal only to the supreme court of the United States, was particularly objected to by the railroad representatives. They declared that the court would soon become nothing more than a second commission. They prefer appeals direct from the commission to the federal courts. The recommendation for a court, however, will remain in the measage.

#### Cabled Paragraphs.

London, Jan. 3.—Twenty thousand miners are idle today in the North-umberland coal districts, in consequence of the dispute over the eighthour-day act, which became effective on January 1. The men at the few collieries which are still active have given notice that they will quit.

Hoima, Uganda Protectorate, Jan Holma, Uganda Protectorate, Jan.

3.—The American expedition arrived here today and reported all well. One hundred and twenty-seven miles were covered after leaving Kampala on December 23. Colonel Roosevelt killed a bull elephant with tusks weighing 110 pounds while the party was in camp at Kisingo. The expedition will leave for Butiaba, twenty-seven miles distant, tomorrow.

Paris, Jan. 3. — Matthiessen and Voltschoek, officers of the Russian army, today purchased two dirigible balloons with capacities of 1,400 and 2,000 cubic metres with which they will undertake an expedition to the South pole. As given out, the Russian explorers' plan is to convey the balloons with Hangar equipments by ship as far south as the ice will permit, and thence proceed in the balloons southward. They will keep in touch with their ship, their base of supplies, by means of a wireless outfit.

London, Jan. 3.—Inquiries are being made in London and at other Europe-an capitals on behalf of the Vander-bilt family, regarding a man known by the name of Vanderbilt and claiming a relationship with the American family of that name. The Vanderbilts. It is stated, have been annoyed for some time by references made in the press to persons claiming relationship with them, and finally decided to send an agent to Europe for the purpose of determining who the man is.

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND WARMLY DEFENDS LATE KING LEOPOLD in His Government of the Congo-"Atropities."

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 3.—Archbishop Ireland in a statement issued today for publication warmly defends the course of the late King Leopold of Bel-gium in his government of the Congo.

course of the late King Leopold of Belgium in his government of the Congo.
The statement says;

"As time is allowed for calm consideration of facts, the general American
press changes very much for the better its tone with regard to the administration of the Congo under the late
king of Belgium. There was at first
the passionate outery against barbarous cruelities committed under his
regime. Now, however, official documents or reports of disinterested and
unprejudiced travelers are being listened to, and the bogey of atrocities is being more or less put to rest.

"As a plain matter of fact, there
were no 'atrocities' in the Congo. This
may not be taken as meaning that the
Beigian operations on the whole, in a
new and untried field of labor, were
at all times free from abuses of any
kind, but that the oft-proclaimed
'atrocities' took place and were the resuits of a general administration is
entirely faise."

Washington Jan. 3—The government is preparing to prosecute the night riders in the tobacco districts of Kentucky and Tennessee by beginning proceedings against the Burley Tobacco society.

Convinced that the society is a

WAR DEPARTMENT PROBLEM Which Comptroller of the Treasury

Convinced that the society is a combination and a conspiracy under the terms of the Sherman anti-trust law, the department of justice is investigating its operations on that ground. Agents have recently been sent to the tobacco growing regions to inquire into the methods of the association and they have reached the conclusion that the organization is connected with the depredations of the night riders.

Has Been Asked

Washington, Jan. 3.—How far away for the army keep a horse and still draw pay for forage is a problem which the war department has asked the comptroller of the treasury to determine. It has already been held that an officer on duty in Washington who keeps his horse at Chevy Chase, Md., the fashionable suburb of Washington, where he lives, is entitled to mounted

issued by the department, but it is known that there is now a well defined purpose to present the matter to the courts. The department is undecided, however, whether the proceeding shall be civil or criminal. With that point decided the matter will soon receive attention. The question has arisen as to whether an officer who is on duty in New York city is entitled to mounted pay for keeping a horse in Stamford, Conn., where he lives, a distance of thirty-six miles from the station. If an affirmative answer is given, the question will arise as to whether there is a limitation of distance affecting. is a limitation of distance affecting

mounted pay.

The problem has given rise to the suggestion of amendments to the existing law, and it is probable that congress will be called upon to enact egislation on the subject.

ESTRADA MOVES ON MANAGUA. Forces of the Provisional Government Well Equipped.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Jan. 2.—Plans for the advance of Estrada's army on Managua have been matured. It is expected that his forces will leave their base at Chile in a week, possibly sooner, starting towards Acoyapo, which is the enemy's country.

The forces of the provisional government will number 4,000. They are carrying extra rifles and ammunition, sufficient arms for the additional policies, reviewed the needs of their respective municipalities, made sug-gestions and urged economy in the conduct of business, in their inaugural sufficient arms for the additional troops who it is believed, will join Estrada during the march through the state of Chontales, Two six-inch field guns have been taken to Chile.

Cotton Manufacturers Claim They Are

Making No Money. Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 3.—To consider the question of how to increase the selling price of cotton products, cotton manufacturers and commission men from all over the country to the number, it is expected, of 150, will meet here tomorrow. Cotton manufacturers claim that under present conditions they are making no money. Boston, Jan. 3.—General President John F. Tobin of the Boot and Shee Workers' union today denied an intimation contained in a despatch from Lynn to the effect that his organization would furnish strikebreakers to take the places of those now out at the factory of the A. M. Creighton Shee company. President Tobin said: "We have no connection of any kind with the firm involved in this difficulty and will not under any circumstances conditions they are making no money, that cotton goods and yarns have not advanced in proportion to the advance in the price of raw cotton; and that something must be done to relieve the

Completely at Mercy of the Flames Meriden, Conn., Jan. 3.—Mount Rego farm, the palatial country home of J. A. Kraus of New York, situated in Baileyville, Middlefield, was destroyed by fire tonight. Several small buildings situated in close proximity to the house were also destroyed. As there is no fire department or water supply in the district, the buildings were completely at the mercy of the flames. The loss will be over \$25,000.

The loss will be over \$25,000. Trial of Mrs. Ford Jan. 24. Cincinnati, Jan. 3.—The trial of Mrs. Jeanette Stewart Ford on a charge of blackmailing Charles Warriner, former treasurer of the Big Four railroad, was set today for January 24. On that date Mrs. Ford will answer to the in-

dictment returned last week. Charged with Murder of Brother. Leominster, Mass., Jan. 4.—Charged with murder of his brother, Alfonso, early today, Adolf Mattachone is a prisoner in the police station here. The police say that he admits the crime, but pleads self-defence. The cause of the trouble is not known.

Cold Wave Reaches Chicago.

## Banker Morse Convict No. 2814

CONSTRUCTION GANG.

FIRST NIGHT IN STEEL CELL

Prisoner Turned Over to the Clerk \$218 in Currency-In Hands of Bertillon Expert, Photographer, Barber

Atlanta, Ga., Jan, 2.—Charles Wyman Morse, former "ice king," and millionaire banker, at noon today began his fifteen-year sentence in the Atlanta federal prison for violation of the national banking laws. He is registered as Convict No. 2.814, and tonight occupies a steel cell not in the least different from those to which are assigned the 'several hundred other prisoners. His natty tailored garments gave way to a regulation suit of stripes, nor did he escape the Bertilion expert, the prison photographer, the regulation bath or the barber.

Stood for Newspaper Cameras.

Stood for Newspaper Cameras. Morse arrived from New York at 10.45 a. m., in charge of two deputy marchals and accompanied by his friend and close business associate. W. P. Rell of Boston, He made no protest when the cameras of the newspaper men were trained upon him. He was placed in a hack and driven to the prison.

Assigned to Class 1. ause he had not been vaccinat-Because he had not been vaccinated, Morse was not permitted to eat in the big dining room, with his fetlow convicts, and his first meal was served in his cell. The prisoner turned over to the prison clerk \$218 in currency. He was assigned to "Class I," which entities him to the privilege of seeing relatives or friends for thirty minutes in each two weeks of his confinement.

Morse probably will be assigned to the tailor shop, or put to work on construction gang. Aiready Talk of a Pardon. Mrs. Morse, formerly the wife of an Atlanta hotel proprietor, is expected here from New York tomorrow. After a talk with her husband she will return to New York and begin trying for a pardon from President Taft.

SPANGLED GOWN CAUGHT FIRE IN FIFTH AVENUE RESAURANT. Mrs. Ellis Terribly Burned New Year' Day-Died Yesterday.

New York, Jan. 3 .- Mrs. Charles El-

The family physician added that Mrs. Ellis was badly burned when a child, and that her fear of fire grew in later life. Shock, he thought, contributed largely to her death.

DR. COOK'S BACKER PLANS ANOTHER POLAR EXPEDITION. This Has Nothing to Do With Any of the Doctor's Trips.

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 3 .- John R. Bradley, the New York millionaire who backed Dr. Cook in his polar expedition, confirmed to the Associated Press tonight that he contemplated another expedition into the Arctic ocean. He expects it to leave in July, and his ferences and reminiscences of his campage of the New York might be accomment to the New York may be accommented to the New York may be accommended to the New York millionaire who have a statement of police, but the may or statement of last night indicates that a new man will have the yor will be accommended and the policy of the New York millionaire who have the cates that a new man will have the yor will be accommended and the policy of the New York millionaire who have the yor will be accommended and the policy of the New York millionaire who have the yor will be accommended and the policy of the New York may be accommended and the policy of the New York millionaire who have the yor will be accommended and the policy of the New York millionaire who have the yor will be accommended and the policy of the New York may be accommended and the policy of the New York may be accommended and the policy of the New York may be accommended and the New York may present purpose is to accompany it. He can give no details until he further he favored a liberal interpretation of hears from Captain Sverdrup, with

NEW YORK POLICE ATHLETE Swims Half Way Across the Hudson River and Back.

New York, Jan. 2.—James J. Scanlan, one of the several champion athletes on the New York police force, swam half way across the Hudson river today and back again, his only difficulty being in dodging large cakes of ice. Scanlan had a wager with another policeman for a swim across the river, and when his challenger failed to appear Scanlan started without him. to appear Scanlan started without him.
"I could have gone all the way across
the river," said Scanlan, "but I am an
officer and to go more than half way
would be entering another state without permission. Therefore, I went only
half way and came back."

RANSOM READY FOR ABDUCTORS. dicates Negotiations.

Cincinnati Jan. 3.—That the parents of Alma Kellner, the 8 year old Louisville girl, who disappeared several weeks ago, are probably negotiating with the child's abductors, was seemingly indicated here today by an advertisement inserted in a local newspaper. The notice reads.

"Please let the party that has our girl know that we will comply with their request—all they need is to ask it."

The mention of a "request' is believed here to be a demand for ransom.

Had a Broken Neck for Ten Days and Didn't Know It.

St. Louis, Jan. 2.—Ralph Owens of Memphis. 24 years old, walked the streets of St. Louis for ten days with a broken neck, and did not know it uneil he went to Mullanphy hospital today to get treatment for rheumatism. He fell ten days ago and since that time his head had been drawn back but he did not suffer much pain. He was operated on tonight and may recover.

Cold Wave Reaches Chicago.

Chicago Jan. 3.—Colder weather is a predicted for Chicago and surrounding territory tomorrow. Late tonight the temperature was 4 above zero and dropping rapidly.

At least it may be said of W. Gould Brokaw that he was not a man who, when telegraphing, stopped to count out the ten words.—Rochester Times-Dispatch.

\$80,000 Fire in Cement Co. Storehouse.

Hudson, N. Y., Jan. S.—Fire here to day destroyed the big storehouse of the Atias Cement company, causing a loss of about \$80,000. About \$20,000 loss was also caused in the cement mill adjoining. One workman, a Hungarian, is believed to have been burned to death, as he with three others were in the storehouse when the fire was distinguished by. Sergeant King, who retired from the army today after thirty years of service. Colonel cofficer was paid to Sergeant Jackson R. King, who retired from the army today after thirty years of service. Colonel for the fire was a table of the officers as the regiment passed by. Sergeant King has a distinguished record and was retired by a combination. \$80,000 Fire in Cement Co. Storehouse

# **Refused Drinks** To Negroes

MAY BE PUT TO WORK IN THE HOTEL CLERK ARRESTED AND FINED \$70.

HAVANA FEARS RACE CLASH

Over Sunday Night's Incident-Yester day's Mob of 400 Negroes Were Served With Drinks at Same Hotel.

Havana, Jan. 3.—Strong race feel-ing had been engendered by the trou-ble which arose last night at the Ho-tel Plaza, an American house, over the refusal of the bartender to serve drinks to two negro congressmen. This resulted in a riot which, although no one was seriously injured, made necessary the calling out of the police reserves. Today the cierk of the hotel was arraigned in court and fined \$70.

Negroes Demanded Extreme Penalty on Barkeeper.

ormous crowd of negroes, An enormous crowd of negroes, in-cluding a strong representation of the Veterans' association, attended the court session and demanded exem-plary punishment on account of the insult to the colored race. Senor Mo-rua Delgado, president of the senate and leader of the negro element, con-ducted the prosecution and insisted upon the extreme penalty, which is a fine of \$1,000 and six months in jail. The decision of the court to inflict a minor penalty was greeted with a minor penalty was greeted with strong expressions of disapproval. 400 Negroes Demanded Drinks Yes-

terday. After the adjournment of the court, the two negro congressmen, heading a procession of 400 negroes, marched to the hotel, crying "Viva Maveo! Viva La Patria!" They entered the bar and demanded drinks, which were served without further protest.

The incident has caused much excitement and there are grave fears of a serious race clash. a serious race clash.

MAYOR GAYNOR WRITES

TO "BIG BILL" EDWARDS Regarding Street Cleaning Department Aids-Are Sundays to be "Dry?"--The Coney Island Resort Question.

Mayor Gaynor continue to enliven New York. Today he sent the following etter to William G. Edwards, commissioner of street cleaning, better re-membered as "Big Bill" Edwards, the former Princeton football player:

New York, Jan. 3.—Mrs. Charles Ellis. who was terribly burned when her gown caught fire during the New Year's celebration at a Fifth avenue restaurant, died in the hospital today. Hope for her recovery had been entertained until examination showed that she inhaled the flames.

Mrs. Ellis was about 30 years old, and leaves a husband. She suffered her injuries at the height of the New Year's eve festivities, but just how her dress caught fire has not been ascertained. The tragedy caused a panic in the restaurant at the time, but no one else was seriously hurt.

Mr. Ellis said tonight that his wife's dress was trimmed about the bodice Mr. Ellis said tonight that his wife's Edwards, there are the following foot-dress was trimmed about the bodice ball stars in the street cleaning de-with spangles of a highly inflammable composition. When the flames touched the spangles they flared up like imita-

Next week will test the new mayor's lality with regard to one of the most right the steel trust for the iron, steel quality with regard to one of the most important questions of policy a mayor must decide. Is this to be a "wide

open" or a closed town? Are Sundays to be "dry" or "wet".

There were plenty of questioners to ask the mayor how about it this afternoon, but to all inquiries he replied that he begged to be excused from any expression of opinion until he had time expression of opinion until he had time to make what changes in the police de-partment he intends. William F. Baker is still commissioner of police, but the mayor's statement of last night indi-cates that a new man will have the

hears from Captain Sverdrup, with whom he is in correspondence on the matter.

Mr. Bradley says that the expedition is to have nothing to do with any of the Cook operations, and that it is to be but one of the private enterprises which he has sent not only into the polar regions, but into Asia and Africa.

NEW YORK POLICE ATHLETE the excise law and that there should be no more empty threats to close Coney Island and other resorts which had a right to keep open on Sundays. Those which ought to be closed, he added with firmness, would be closed and would stay closed.

The newly elected board of aldermen took its first test vote today, and the alignment showed a democratic majority of four—41 democrats against 37 first private and the cone in the cone is not only into the polar regions, but into Asia and Africa.

IN COMMUNICATION WITH ALMA KELLMER'S ABDUCTORS. Millionaire Cousin of Missing Child Draws \$5,000 from Bank.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 3.—"Ie believe we are in communication with the abductors of Alma Kellner," declared Frank Fehr millionaire cousin of the missing girl, tonight. "I have reason to believe that the child was taken by professional child snatchers to be held for sansam."

Twenty years ago we learned that the last Lord Featherstonaugh was

professional china and professional china and

ecute them or cause their arrest or prosecution." Mr. Fehr returned today from Chi-ago. Before starting he drew \$5,000 from a Louisville bank after banking hours. When Mr. Fehr returned to hy he became more optimistic regarding his cousin's return. Mr. Fahr would not intimate where

the missing girl had been held or where she was to come from.

Alma Kellner disappeared on Decsni-ber 8 while on the way to St. John's church to attend mass.

LETTER FROM DR. COOK. He is Still Ignorant of Copenhagen Decision.

Copenhagen, Jan. 3.—Walter Lonsdale, Dr. Frederick A. Cook's secretary, announced today that he had received a letter from Dr. Cook, but he declined to give the explorer's address. Mr. Lonsdale said that he would inform Dr. Cook of the university's decision, of which, he was convinced, Dr. Cook is still tenorant.

Unusual Military Honor to a Non Commissioned Officer.

#### Condensed Telegrams

Snow for the First Time in sixtee

Eastern Roumania has been devas Thirty-Three Thousand Babies were born in New York city last year,

W. Gould Brokaw Acknowledges that he is worth \$1,638,937, but says he is a

For Every Marriage License Issued in Philadelphia in 1909 one suit for di-orce was entered.

The Customs Tobacco Stores at Alxandria were burned, the loss being stimated at \$5,000,000.

British Scientists Still Believe that Mars has canals despite the statement of Astronomer Maunders. Herbert Francis Was Arrested on the

charge of swindling Miss Ciara Libbey, an American girl, out of \$500. President Taft held his first New Year reception at the White House and shook hands with 5,575 persons.

The Report of the Commissioner of Indian affairs shows that tuberculosis heads the list of diseases afflicting the

President Madriz of Nicaragua has contributed \$2,000 to the Red Cross to aid the work among the prisoners at

Prof. Max Kovalevsky of the Russian council of the empire for the universi-ties was sentenced to two months' im-

Estrada is Reported to Have Agreed

to a suspension of hostilities pending settlement of the legality of the elec-tion of Madriz.

Rev. Richard C. Grogan, a Roman Catholic priest, attempted suicide by shooting himself at the Grand Union hotel, New York.

Announcement is Made of a \$50,000 endowment bestowed on the American University by a philanthropist whose name is withheld. All of the Americans who partici-pated in the battle of Rana, Nicaragua are reported to have acquitted them-selves with credit.

The British Pee. Who Have Taken the stump to save their hereditary rights have not proven brilliant suc sses as campaigners

irving P. Lovejoy, a New York rea estate dealer, was crushed to death is an elevator in the Hudson tunnel ter-minal building in Jersey City.

Thomas Waggoner, a Texas cattle and land king, has given each of hit two children, 100,000 acres of land, 30,000 head of cattle and 1,000 horses. The Daughters of the American Rev

olution appeal to all patriotic works support all measures for the correction of our natural resources. A. Head-On Collision between two limited cars on the Terre Haute, in-dianapolis and Enstern Traction road near Greenfield, Ind., caused injuries to

Derothy Taft, daughter of the president's cousin, who was believed to have been kidmapped, was found a the home of her friends at Swatelle

Cal., with whom she spent the night The Executive Council of the Ameri-

The Demands of the Railroad switch men in the Chicago territory for in creased wages were refused by the railroads in a proposition presente at a conference of representatives of the switchmen and members of th

CHICAGO BANDIT

WAS A NOBLE ENGLISHMAN. Shot Dead by a Policeman While Hold-

Chicago, Jan. 3.—That Harry B. Featherstone, bandit and safe blower who was killed by a Chicago policewho was falled by a Chicago polico-man while holding up a saloon New Year's morning, was the disinherited son of a noble English family wan sworn to today at the inquest into the robber's death by his sister, Miss Emma Featherstonaugh, who declared that her brother was rightfully the bearer of the name Lord Feathersto-

bearer of the hame lord reachers naugh.

Featherstone lived with his mother, sister and wife under the name of Featherstonaugh, but to the police he was always known as Featherstone. His sister said:

"My grandfather, Henry Bardiff Featherstennugh, was the nephew and heir of the last baren of one of the oldest families in Essex, England. The daughter of an Englishman neighbor had been picked out for him to wed, but he ran away and married a poor

"Twenty years ago we learned that the last Lord Featherstonaugh was dead and that we were heirs to part of his estate. Harry went to England to claim the estate and found it had been taken by his brother Wallace. He was the rightful heir, but we never could get our rights in the case."

FOUR MILWAUKEE FIREMEN BURIED UNDER FALLING WALL. \$250,000 Damage to Plant of American Bridge Company.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 3.—Fire in the Milwaukee plant of the American Bridge company tonight caused the death of four firemen, who were buried under a falling wall, and \$250,000 prop-

erty damage.
The firemen killed were Captain John Hennessey, Lieut. O'Donnell and two Several firemon were injured and several suffered frostbitten noses and ears while fighting the flames.

The engine company which suffered all the casualties took its station under the main wall of the factory, a long two story brick structure. The wall fell on them and it was at first thought that all the members of the company met death, but several were saved by a pocket in the collapsed wall.

Trolleymon Not Satisfied With Wage

Camden, N. J. Jan, 3.—Not satisfied with the increase in wages which the public service corporation gave them on Jan. 1, the motormen and conductors of the company from all of its lines in the state of New Jersey have forwarded a communication to President McCarter, at Newark, domanding an increase to 25 cents an hour for all employee and a ten-hour workday, to be completed within twelve hours. The motormen and conductors now work on a cliding scale of wages.

## Water Main Burst \$200,000 Damage

30-INCH PIPE CORNER HOLLIS AND TREMONT STREETS.

**CREAT EXCITEMENT IN BOSTON** 

Playhouses and Moving Picture Theaters Closed-Thousands of Persons Marooned-Street Cars Stopped

Boston, Jan. 3.—Thousands of peo-ple were marconed, two playhouses and a dozen moving picture theaters were closed, and two hundred thou sand dollars' damage was done sari-this evening by the breaking of a 30 Inch water main at the corner of Trement and Hollis streets.

Tremendous Volume of Water. A tremendous volume of water flowed three or four plocks, completely flooding the district between Tremont and Washington streets, from Lagrange to Warrenton streets, and run-ning down a natural watershed to At-

lantic avenue, Pedestrians caught in the flood area were murconed for more than two hours until the flood subsided.

Heavy Loss to Theaters. There are scores of cases in the district, as well as moving picture houses and stores, and the basements of all were flooded. The parquet of the Majestic theater on Tremont street and the main part of the Globe theater on Washington street were filled with water and both houses were forced to close for the night. Furnishings, and it is feared, a large part of ings, and it is feared, a large part of the costumes at the Majestic, were ruined, causing a heavy loss.

Street Car Service Suspended. Street car service throughout the affected district was suspended fee

TRUST COMPANY MERGER UNITING \$150,000,000

Perhaps the Largest of Its Kind in

This Country. New York, Jan. 3.—J. Pierpont Mergan, Thomas B. Ryan and Levi P. Morton linked Lands in New York today in a trust company merger which unites resources of \$150,000,000. It is a triple combination, bringing the Guaranty Trust company, the Morton Trust company and the Fifth Avenue Trust company, all of this city, under one head with the title of the Guaranty Trust company. The merger is perhaps the largest of its kind in the United States.

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Directors of all three companies met today and informally approved the terms of the merger, which will be put in more definite form on Wednesday, when another directors' meeting will be held, and the plan will be ratified by the stockholders, although a formal vote on the matter will not be taken until later.

Layl P. Mosten, who is president of the Morton Trust company and the Fifth Avenue Trust company, both known as Morton-Ryan concerns, has consented to act as chairman of the board of the merged companies, for which no president has as yet men selected. The name of Alexander J. Hempbill, vice president and acting president of the Guaranty Trust company, has been mentioned for the pe-

pany, has been mentioned for the re-This new event in finances follows the recent absorption of the Guaranty Trust company by the so-called Mergan interests, but upon just what terms the merger was made was not disclosed today. The Guaranty house company was organized in 1891 and has total deposits of more than \$58.00.000. The Morton Trust company, which was formerly the banking house of Bliss Morton & company, was orof Bliss, Morton & company, was or-gunized in 1899. Thomas F. Ryan is ylce president. Its deposits aggregate more than \$35,000,000. Like the Guar-

anty Trust company, its capital and surplus are \$2,000,000 each. The Fifth Avenue Trust company. The Fifth Avenue Trust company, founded ten years ago, is one of the better known uptown financial institutions, with a capital and surplus of \$1,000,000 each. It has paid very large dividends of recent years. The capital stock of the new company will probably be fixed at \$5,000,000, with perhaps a like amount for surplus. It is believed that the merger will involve large stock and cash dividends to the shareholders of the three companies

The present headquarters of the Fifth Avenue Trust company will be retained as a branch of the combined companies, while larger offices will house the combined companies in the financial district.

It was rumored that the Morgan interests had acquired the hodings of Thomas F. Ryan in the Marcan Trust company, but no statement on this

point was sbtainable. CONVICTED BANK PRESIDENT WILL STILL BE WORTH \$700,000 After Settlement of All Claims With

Clearing House Banks. Chicago, Jan. 3.—John R. Walsh, formerly president of the defunct Chi-cago National bank, convicted on charges of misappropriating its funds, whose case will come up on Wednes-day before the United States supreme

day before the United States suprame court for final settlement, will not be penniless after a settlement of claims aggregating more than \$7,000,000 with the Chicago clearing house banks.

The clearing house banks beid notes of the former banker amounting to \$7,121,887 and plans are making for the payment of these obligations within a few days. When Mr. Walsh has paid this amount, it was revealed today, he still will be worth some \$700,000 in stocks and real estate. This is the remnant of a fortune variously estimated at from \$10,000,000 to \$35,000,000.

Arrested on Suspicion in Connection With Disappearance of a Jeweler. With Disappearance of a Jeweler. Pittsburg, Jan. 3.—County police authorities tonight made two arrests in connection with the mysterious disappearance of C. W. Morgan, a prominent jejweler, who was last seen Saturday, and whose torn coat, battered hat and a jewel case were found on the bank of the Allegheny river last night, leading the police to believe a murder was committed by thugs. The persons arrested gave their names as James Dunning, a teamster, and Wil-James Dunning, a teamster, and Wil-liam Clay, a negro etable boss Charges of suspicious persons were placed against them pending further